

CLAIMS

1. An ammunition projectile (10, 20) for a firearm, particularly a handgun, said projectile (10, 20) comprising a nose (11, 21) and a cap (12, 22), characterized in that said nose (11, 21) is essentially conical in shape and comprises at least two hollow areas (14, 24) disposed essentially symmetrically in relation to the axis of said projectile or in relation to an axial plane, said hollow areas being a curved from edge to edge.
2. A projectile (10, 20) according to claim 1 characterized in that the base of said hollow areas (14, 24) is rounded.
3. A projectile (10, 20) according to claim 2 characterized in that said hollow areas are formed of two curvilinear planes whose intersection is defined by a radial ridge.
4. A projectile (10) according to claim 1 characterized in that said nose (11) comprises a flat central portion (13).
5. A projectile (10) according to claim 4 characterized in that the diameter of said flat central portion (13) generally ranges from 10 to 50% of the diameter of the projectile (10) at the base of the nose (11) and preferably ranges from one-fourth to one-third of the diameter of said projectile (10).
6. A projectile (10) according to claim 1 characterized in that said nose and said cap comprise a groove (15).
7. A projectile (10) according to claim 6 characterized in that said groove (15) is designed to receive a blocking means (16).
8. A projectile (10, 20) according to claim 1 characterized in that it is made of soft metal.
9. A projectile (10, 20) according to claim 8 characterized in that it is made of copper.
10. A projectile (10) according to claim 7 characterized in that said blocking means (16) is made of hard metal.
11. A projectile (10) according to claim 10 characterized in that said blocking means (16) is made of steel.
12. A projectile (10) according to claims 5 and 6 characterized in that said groove (15) comprises a central zone (15b) that is at least partially threaded and in that said blocking means (16) is a bolt partially engaged in said central zone (15b).

13. A projectile (10, 20) according to claim 1 characterized in that it is formed of a piece of brass.